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In this note we consider the following problem. Let F be one of the A_r , D_r , E_r , \tilde{A}_r , \tilde{D}_r , \tilde{E}_r type quivers with r vertices and arbitrarily directed arrows. Namely F is a directed graph without multiple edges and if we ignore the directions of the arrows in F , then the graph coincide with one of the Dynkin diagrams of types A_r , D_r , E_r , \tilde{A}_r , \tilde{D}_r , \tilde{E}_r .

We take a representaion of the quiver F , namely we put a vector space V_i on each vertex i in F and put a linear homomorphism f on each arrow in F . Here V_i is a finite dimensional vector space over some field k and

f is a linear homomorphism from V_i to V_j if $\begin{matrix} V_i & \xrightarrow{f} & V_j \end{matrix}$.

For example if F is an A_r type quiver, a representation of F is given by

$$(F) \quad \begin{matrix} V_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & V_2 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & V_3 & \xleftarrow{f_3} & V_4 & \xleftarrow{f_4} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{f_{r-1}} & V_r \end{matrix}$$

Here V_i is a finite dimensional vector space over some field k and f_i is a linear endomorphism from V_i to V_{i+1} if $V_i \xrightarrow{f_i} V_{i+1}$ and from V_{i+1} to V_i if $V_i \xleftarrow{f_i} V_{i+1}$.

For the exact definition and meanings of finite and tame type quivers, see [Ka1], [Ka3], [Ka4], [Ga1], [Ga2] and [B-G-P].

Let $V = \bigoplus_{i \rightarrow j \text{ in } F} \text{Hom}(V_i, V_j)$ and $G = GL(V_1) \times GL(V_2) \times \cdots \times GL(V_r)$. Then G acts on V naturally, i.e., for $g = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_r) \in G$,

the action of G on V is given by $g \cdot f = g_j f g_i^{-1}$, if $V_i \xrightarrow{f} V_j$.

For example in the case of the above A_r type quiver,

$$V = \bigoplus_{i \rightarrow i+1 \text{ in } F} \text{Hom}(V_i, V_{i+1}) \bigoplus \bigoplus_{i \leftarrow i+1 \text{ in } F} \text{Hom}(V_{i+1}, V_i)$$

Then G acts on V naturally. Let $S(V)$ be the polynomial ring over V . The action of G on V naturally extends to the action on $S(V)$. The problem is :

PROBLEM. *What is the relative (or absolute) invariants in $S(V)$ with respect to this action?*

We consider this problem for $A_r, D_r, E_r, \tilde{A}_r, \tilde{D}_r, \tilde{E}_r$ type quivers with arbitrarily directed arrows.

We give answers to the above problem for the $A_r, D_r, \tilde{A}_r, \tilde{D}_r$ type quivers with arbitrarily directed arrows in the case of $k = \mathbb{C}$ (complex number). (The same holds for any field k of characteristic 0.)

For the E_r, \tilde{E}_r type quivers, I have not yet obtained complete answers to the above problem.

We will show a set of generators of the relative (or absolute) invariants in each case.

Let F be an A_r type quivers whose arrows are directed one way,

$$V_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} V_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} V_3 \xrightarrow{f_3} \dots \xrightarrow{f_{r-1}} V_r.$$

Then our theorem is given as follows.

We fix a base $\{e_i^s\}$ ($1 \leq i \leq n_s$) of each vector space V_s , where n_s ($s = 1, 2, \dots, r$) denotes the dimension of V_s .

Since

$$S(V) = S\left(\bigoplus_{s=1}^{r-1} \text{Hom}(V_s, V_{s+1})\right) = \bigotimes_{s=1}^{r-1} S(\text{Hom}(V_s, V_{s+1}))$$

, $S(V)$ can be considered as the polynomial ring in the indeterminates $\{x_{i,j}^{(s)}\}$ where $1 \leq i \leq n_{s+1}$, $1 \leq j \leq n_s$, and $s = 1, 2, \dots, r-1$, where $\{x_{i,j}^{(s)}\}$ is the dual base of the base $\{e_i^{s*} \otimes e_j^{s+1}\}$ of $\text{Hom}(V_s, V_{s+1})$. Here $\{e_i^{s*}\}$ denotes the dual base of the base $\{e_i^s\}$ of V_s . Namely $x_{i,j}^{(s)} = e_i^s \otimes e_j^{s+1*}$.

In other words, if we substitute some values to $x_{i,j}^{(s)}$'s, then the matrix $(x_{i,j}^{(s)})_{i,j}$ corresponds to the homomorphism f_s with respect to the above basis.

Let $M_{s+1,s}$ be the matrix $(x_{i,j}^{(s)})_{i,j}$. ($n_{s+1} \times n_s$ matrix whose (i,j) -th coefficient is the indeterminate $x_{i,j}^{(s)}$.)

DEFINITION. For any k, ℓ with $1 \leq k \leq \ell \leq r$ and $n_k = n_\ell$, we define the polynomial $P_{\ell,k}$ by

$$P_{\ell,k} := \det(M_{\ell,\ell-1} M_{\ell-1,\ell-2} \cdots M_{k+1,k})$$

and call these polynomials by determinantal invariants.

Clearly $P_{\ell,k}$ is a relative invariant and $P_{\ell,k} \neq 0$ if and only if for any v ($k < v < \ell$), $n_v \geq n_k = n_\ell$. Moreover if a pair (k, ℓ) satisfies the condition that $n_v > n_k = n_\ell$ for any v ($k < v < \ell$), then we call the determinantal invariant $P_{\ell,k}$ *primitive*. Clearly any determinantal invariant can be written as the product of the primitive ones.

THEOREM. *Let F be an A_r type quiver with one-way directed arrows. Then the relative invariants in $S(V)$ amount to be the monomials of the primitive determinantal invariants $P_{\ell,k}$'s. Moreover the primitive determinantal invariants are algebraically independent.*

For a quiver F of type A_r with arbitrarily directed arrows, generators of the relative invariants are given as follows.

Let p, q ($p < q$) be vertices in F and $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_k$ ($p < u_1 < u_2 < \dots < u_k < q$) be the sources between p and q and let $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l$ ($p < v_1 < v_2 < \dots < v_l < q$) be the sinks between p and q . (l can be $k+1$ or k or $k-1$.) Here a vertex i in a quiver F is called "*source*" if all the arrows connected to i are started from i and a vertex j is called "*sink*" if all the arrows connected to j are terminated at j .

We prepare a notation. Let u, v ($u < v$) be vertices in F such that there are no sinks and sources between them. Then there are two possibilities.

$$(P1) \quad \begin{array}{c} u \\ \cdot \end{array} \longrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} v \\ \cdot \end{array}$$

$$(P2) \quad \begin{array}{c} u \\ \cdot \end{array} \longleftarrow \cdot \longleftarrow \cdot \longleftarrow \dots \longleftarrow \begin{array}{c} v \\ \cdot \end{array}$$

In the case of (P1), we define the matrix by

$$M_{v,u} = M_{v,v-1} M_{v-1,v-2} \cdots M_{u+1,u}$$

and in the case of (P2), we define the matrix by

$$M_{u,v} = M_{u,u+1} M_{u+1,u+2} \cdots M_{v-1,v}.$$

Here $M_{i+1,i}$ is the matrix $(x_{k\ell}^{(i)})$ ($1 \leq k \leq n_{i+1}, 1 \leq \ell \leq n_i$) corresponding to the element of $\text{Hom}(V_i, V_{i+1})^*$ and $M_{i,i+1}$ is the matrix $(x_{k\ell}^{(i)})$ ($1 \leq k \leq n_i, 1 \leq \ell \leq n_{i+1}$) corresponding to the element of $\text{Hom}(V_{i+1}, V_i)^*$.

Assume that the sources and the sinks between p and q are located as follows:

$$p < u_1 < v_1 < u_2 < \cdots < u_k < v_k < q.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} p & \leftarrow & \cdots & \leftarrow & u_1 & \rightarrow & \cdots & \rightarrow & v_1 & \leftarrow & u_2 & \rightarrow & \cdots & \rightarrow & v_k & \leftarrow & \cdots & \leftarrow & q \end{array}$$

In this case, we define the matrix M as follows:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{p,u_1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ M_{v_1,u_1} & M_{v_1,u_2} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & M_{v_2,u_2} & M_{v_2,u_3} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{v_3,u_3} & \ddots & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & M_{v_k,u_k} & M_{v_k,q} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then M is an $(n_p + n_{v_1} + n_{v_2} + \cdots + n_{v_k}) \times (n_{u_1} + n_{u_2} + \cdots + n_{u_k} + n_q)$ matrix. If $n_p + n_{v_1} + n_{v_2} + \cdots + n_{v_k} = n_{u_1} + n_{u_2} + \cdots + n_{u_k} + n_q$, we can take the determinant of M .

Clearly if $\det(M) \neq 0$, $\det(M)$ is a relative invariant in $S(V)$. Since the action of G on $\det(M)$ just coincides with the matrix multiplication of

$\text{diag}(g, g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k)$ from the left and $\text{diag}(h_1^{-1}, h_2^{-1}, \dots, h_k^{-1}, h^{-1})$ from the right, where $g \in GL(V_p), g_i \in GL(V_{v_i}), h_i \in GL(V_{u_i}), h \in GL(V_q)$ and $\text{diag}(g, g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k)$ denotes the matrix whose diagonal blocks consist of g, g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k and whose off-diagonal blocks are all 0 matrices.

Therefore if $\det(M) \neq 0$, then $P_{q,p} = \det(M)$ is a relative invariant of weight

$$(0, 0, \dots, \underset{\widehat{p}}{1}, 0, \dots, \underset{\widehat{u_1}}{-1}, 0, \dots, \underset{\widehat{v_1}}{1}, \dots, 0, \dots, \underset{\widehat{v_k}}{1}, 0, \dots, \underset{\widehat{q}}{-1}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

We will determine when $\det(M) \neq 0$. It is easy to see that the necessary condition for $\det(M) \neq 0$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} n_p &\leq n_{p+1}, n_{p+2}, \dots, n_{u_1}, \\ n_{u_1} - n_p &\leq n_{u_1+1}, n_{u_1+2}, \dots, n_{v_1}, \\ n_{v_1} - n_{u_1} + n_p &\leq n_{v_1+1}, n_{v_1+2}, \dots, n_{u_2}, \\ n_{u_2} - n_{v_1} + n_{u_1} - n_p &\leq n_{u_2+1}, n_{u_2+2}, \dots, n_{v_2}, \\ &\vdots \leq \vdots \\ n_{v_k} - n_{u_k} + n_{v_{k-1}} - \dots + n_p &\leq n_{v_k+1}, n_{v_k+2}, \dots, n_q \end{aligned}$$

We will define primitive determinantal invariants. A determinantal invariant $P_{q,p} = \det(M)$ is called “*primitive*” if the inequalities in the above hold strictly.

Any determinantal invariant can be decomposed into the product of the primitive ones.

For the cases in which the sources and sinks between p and q are located differently, the matrix whose determinant gives a determinantal invariant is obtained by arranging the matrices $M_{v,u}$ and $M_{v',u}$ vertically

at the source u (v and v' are adjacent sinks to u .) and by arranging the matrices $M_{v,u}$ and $M_{v,u'}$ horizontally at the sink v (u and u' are adjacent sources to v .) and by putting 0 matrices at the other places. The primitiveness of them is defined by a similar inequalities to the above. (See [K 1] §4 for the details.)

In any cases the relative invariants for the A_r type quivers are the monomials of the primitive determinantal invariants and the primitive ones are algebraically independent.

Namely

THEOREM. *Let F be an A_r type quiver with arbitrarily directed arrows. The relative invariants in $S(V)$ amounts to the monomials of the primitive determinantal invariants $P_{\ell,k}$'s. Moreover the primitive algebraic invariants are algebraically independent.*

Next let F be an \tilde{A}_r type quivers whose arrows are directed one way

$$(F) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} V_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & V_2 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & V_3 & \xrightarrow{f_3} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{f_{i-1}} & V_i \\ f_r \uparrow & & & & & & & & \downarrow f_i \\ V_r & \xleftarrow{f_{r-1}} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{f_{i+1}} & V_{i+1} \end{array}$$

$S(V)$ can also be considered as the polynomial ring in the indeterminates $\{x_{i,j}^{(s)}\}$ where $1 \leq i \leq n_{s+1}$, $1 \leq j \leq n_s$, and $s = 1, 2, \dots, r$. We define the determinantal invariants and the primitive determinantal invariants just in the same way as the above. (Here we consider $V_{r+i} = V_i$.) Since \tilde{A}_r type quiver has the symmetry under the cyclic permutations, We may assume that $n_1 = \text{Minimum}\{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r\}$. Then we will define absolute invariants $\phi_i \in S(V)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n_1$) as follows.

DEFINITION. Let $\phi_i \in S(V)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n_1$) be the i -th elementary symmetric function of the product of matrices

$M_{1,r} M_{r,r-1} M_{r-1,r-2} \cdots M_{2,1}$, namely

$$\det(tI_{n_1} - M_{1,r} M_{r,r-1} \cdots M_{2,1}) = \sum_{k=0}^{n_1} \phi_k (-1)^k t^{n_1-k}.$$

It is easy to see that ϕ_i 's are absolute invariants.

For a relative invariant $f \in S(V)$, we call that f has *weight* $\mathfrak{k} = (k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r) \in \mathbb{Z}^r$ if $g \cdot f = (\det g_1)^{k_1} (\det g_2)^{k_2} \cdots (\det g_r)^{k_r} f$, where $g = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_r) \in G = GL(n_1) \times GL(n_2) \times \cdots GL(n_r)$.

By $S(V)^{\mathfrak{k}}$, we denote the relative invariants of weight \mathfrak{k} in $S(V)$. Here we can state our theorem for this case.

THEOREM. Let F be an \tilde{A}_r type quiver with one-way directed arrows.

(1) The absolute invariants $S(V)^G$ is the polynomial ring of n_1 generators $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_{n_1}$, namely,

$$S(V)^G = \mathbb{C}[\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_{n_1}].$$

(2) The relative invariants in $S(V)$ amount to be the monomials of $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_{n_1-1}$ and $P_{j,i}$'s, where $P_{j,i}$'s are the primitive determinantal invariants. $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_{n_1-1}$ and $P_{j,i}$'s are algebraically independent.

(3) As $S(V)^G$ module, $S(V)^{\mathfrak{k}}$ is a free module of rank one.

For the other cases in which there exist a sink or a source in the original \tilde{A}_r type quiver F , then we have no absolute invariants other than constant. In this case we also can give explicit generators of the relative

p and $r - 2$ be located as follows:

$$p < v_1 < u_1 < \cdots < u_{t-1} < q < v_t < u_t < \cdots < v_s < u_s < r - 2.$$

If $n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_{u_1} - n_{v_1} + n_p + n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_{u_t} - n_{v_t} + n_q = n_{r-1} + n_r$, then we will define the matrix M in the following way.

In the case of $n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_{u_t} - n_{v_t} + n_q > n_r$ and $n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_{u_1} - n_{v_1} + n_p < n_{r-1}$, let

$$M =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_{v_1,p} & M_{v_1,u_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{v_s,u_{s-1}} & M_{v_s,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{r,r-2}M_{r-2,u_s} & M_{r,r-2}M_{r-2,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{r-1,r-2}M_{r-2,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_s,u_s} & M_{v_s,u_{s-1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_t,u_t} & M_{v_t,q} \end{pmatrix}$$

If $n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_{u_t} - n_{v_t} + n_q = n_r$, hence $n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_{u_1} - n_{v_1} + n_p = n_{r-1}$, the situation reduces to the A_r cases.

This $\phi_{q,p,r-1,r} = \det(M)$ is called primitive if

$$\begin{aligned} n_p &< n_{p+1}, n_{p+2}, \cdots n_{v_1}, \\ n_{v_1} - n_p &< n_{v_1+1}, n_{v_1+2}, \cdots n_{u_1}, \\ n_{u_1} - n_{v_1} + n_p &< n_{u_1+1}, n_{u_1+2}, \cdots n_{v_2}, \\ &\vdots < \vdots \\ n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \cdots + n_p &< n_{u_s+1}, n_{u_s+2}, \cdots n_{r-2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_q &< n_{q+1}, n_{q+2}, \dots, n_{v_t}, \\
 n_{v_t} - n_q &< n_{v_t+1}, n_{v_t+2}, \dots, n_{u_t}, \\
 &\vdots < \vdots \\
 n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \dots + n_q &< n_{u_s+1}, n_{u_s+2}, \dots, n_{r-2}
 \end{aligned}$$

By substituting the special values to $x_{i,j}^{(s)}$, we can see easily that the primitive $\phi_{q,p,r-1,r}$ is non zero..

We also define the primitive invariants $\phi_{q,p,r-1,r}$'s for the other cases in which the sinks and sources between p and q and $r-2$ are located in the different ways.

Then we have

THEOREM.

The relative invariants in $S(V)$ amount to be the monomials in all the primitive determinantal invariants $\phi_{q,p,r-1,r}$'s, $P_{q,p}$'s and the primitive relative invariants are algebraically independent.

We can also give explicit generators for the D_r type quiver F in which the directions of the arrows at the branching vertex $r-2$ are different from the above and the same theorem hold for these cases.

Let F be a \tilde{D}_r type quiver for example, given by

Case ordinary at the branching vertices 2 and $r-2$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 1 & \longrightarrow & 2 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longleftarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & r-2 & \longrightarrow & r-1 \\
 & & \uparrow & & & & & & & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & 0 & & & & & & & & r & &
 \end{array}$$

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Let the sinks and sources between 2 and $r-2$ be located in the following way, $2 < v_1 < u_1 < \dots < u_s < r-2$.

If $n_r - n_{u_s} + n_{v_s} + \dots - n_{u_1} + n_{v_1} + n_{r-1} - n_{u_s} + n_{v_s} + \dots - n_{u_1} + n_{v_1} = n_0 + n_1$, then we can define the matrix M by

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{v_1,0} & M_{v_1,u_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_1,1} \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{v_s,u_s-1} & M_{v_s,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{r-1,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{r-1,u_s} & M_{r,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_s,u_s} & M_{v_s,u_s-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_1,u_1} & M_{v_1,1} \end{pmatrix}$$

, where $M_{v_1,1} = M_{v_1,2}M_{2,1}$, $M_{v_1,0} = M_{v_1,2}M_{2,0}$, $M_{r,u_k} = M_{r,r-2}M_{r-2,u_k}$ and $M_{r-1,u_k} = M_{r-1,r-2}M_{r-2,u_k}$.

This $\phi_{0,1,r-1,r} = \det(M)$ is called primitive if

$$\begin{aligned} n_2 &< n_3, \dots, n_{v_1}, \\ n_{v_1} - n_2 &< n_{v_1+1}, n_{v_1+2}, \dots, n_{u_1}, \\ n_{u_1} - n_{v_1} + n_2 &< n_{u_1+1}, n_{u_1+2}, \dots, n_{v_2}, \\ &\vdots < \vdots \\ n_{u_s} - n_{v_s} + \dots + n_2 &< n_{u_s+1}, n_{u_s+2}, \dots, n_{r-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Also for vertices p and q with $u_s < p < v_{s+1}$, $v_t < q < u_t$

we will define the matrix M by $M =$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
M_{p,u_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
M_{v_s,u_s} & M_{v_s,u_{s-1}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & M_{v_1,u_1} & M_{v_1,1} & M_{v_1,0} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_1,0} & M_{v_1,u_1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_2,u_1} & M_{v_2,u_2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_k,u_{k-1}} & M_{v_k,u_k} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{r,u_k} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{r-1,u_k} & M_{r-1,u_k} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{v_k,u_k} & M_{v_k,u_{k-1}} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & M_{q,u_t}
\end{pmatrix}$$

, where $M_{r,u_k} = M_{r,r-2}M_{r-2,u_k}$ and $M_{r-1,u_k} = M_{r-1,r-2}M_{r-2,u_k}$.

If this matrix is a square matrix and $\det(M) \neq 0$, then $\det(M) = \phi_{0,1,r-1,r,p,q}$ is a relative invariant. We also can define the primitiveness of this $\phi_{0,1,r-1,r,p,q}$.

Then our theorem is as follows.

THEOREM. *The relative invariants in $S(V)$ amount to be the monomials in all the primitive determinantal invariants $\phi_{q,p,r-1,r}$'s, $\phi_{0,1,p,q}$'s, $P_{q,p}$'s, $\phi_{0,1,r-1,r,p,q}$'s. The primitive relative invariants are algebraically independent.*

These are examples of our answers to the problem. The proofs of the above facts needs the standard monomial theory and some combinatorics to calculate the Littlewood-Richardson coefficients explicitly for Young diagrams of the special shapes.

From the above the next problem comes up naturally and seems to be interesting.

PROBLEM. *For what quivers does the relative invariants $S(V)^{rel}$ have algebraically independent generators? More specifically does this condi-*

tion (having the algebraically independent generators) characterize the finite and the tame type quivers?

For the $A_r, D_r, \tilde{A}_r, \tilde{D}_r$ type quivers, this condition is satisfied.

We also state extensions of the original problem. Theorem comes up naturally in the following situation.

Let P be a parabolic subgroup of $GL(n)$ (where $n = \sum_{i=1}^r n_i$) defined by

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} & n_r & \dots & n_2 & n_1 \\ * & * & * & * & \\ \hline 0 & * & * & * & \\ & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ & & & \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & * & \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} n_r \\ \vdots \\ n_2 \\ n_1 \end{matrix}$$

Let $P = LU$ be a Levi decomposition of P , where L is a reductive part of P and U is the unipotent radical of P . For example

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} & n_r & \dots & n_2 & n_1 \\ * & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\ \hline 0 & * & 0 & 0 & \\ & 0 & 0 & * & 0 \\ & & & \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & * & \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} n_r \\ \vdots \\ n_2 \\ n_1 \end{matrix}$$

Let \mathfrak{N} be the Lie algebra corresponding to U . Then L acts on \mathfrak{N} by adjoint action, hence L acts on $\mathfrak{N}/[\mathfrak{N}, \mathfrak{N}]$ by adjoint action. This action just coincides with the action of G on V in the case of the A_r type quiver with one way directed arrows. So we can extend the problem as follows.

PROBLEM 1. Let G be a semisimple Lie group and let P be a parabolic subgroup of G . Let $P = LU$ is a Levi decomposition of P and let \mathfrak{N} be the Lie algebra corresponding to U . What is the relative invariants under the adjoint action of L on $V = \mathfrak{N}/[\mathfrak{N}, \mathfrak{N}]$?

It is known that the above action of L on V is prehomogeneous.

PROBLEM 1'. Consider the problem and the problem 1 over any field k instead of the complex field (or the field of characteristic 0).

Especially it seems to be interesting to consider the problem over the finite field k .

For example, let F be an A_2 type quiver and k be a finite field

$$(F) \quad V_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} V_2$$

If $\dim V_1 = 1$, i.e., $V_1 = k$, then $S(V)$ is isomorphic to $S(V_2)$ and G_2 naturally acts on $S(V_2)$. It is known in this case that the absolute invariants $S(V_2)^{G_2}$ are the polynomial ring in the Dickson's invariants I_1, I_2, \dots, I_{n_2} . Compared with the characteristic 0 case, (See Theorem 1) things seem to be slightly changed over a finite field,

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